Dr. Patel will present on the increased use of social and mobile Internet-based communication technologies (SMT).

SMT (e.g., social media, apps, mobile phones, smartphones, SMS) has rapidly become accessible throughout the world, including in low-middle income countries and the digital divide between different socio-demographic groups is rapidly closing.

Increasingly, sexual and gender minority populations at high risk of HIV and other populations are reachable around the world using SMT; and these platforms present new opportunities for reaching and engaging communities in ways previously not possible, including through completely online interventions.

This talk will discuss development of and results from SMT-based PrEP uptake and HIV testing interventions with young Black/Latinx MSM in the Bronx, New York and MSM in India.